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REMARKS

The Examiner's Office Action of November 1, 2004 has been received and its contents reviewed. Applicants would like to thank the Examiner for reviewing and considering this application.

Prior to this Amendment, claim 1 was pending. By this Amendment, new claims 2-24 have been added. Accordingly, claims 1-24 are pending, of which claims 1, 6, 11 and 18 are independent.

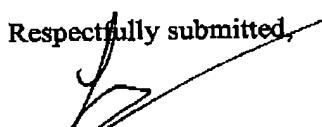
Turning now to the detailed Office Action, the title of the invention stands objected to as not being descriptive. In response, Applicants respectfully submit that the title is deemed sufficiently descriptive. Applicants note that similar title is given to, e.g., U.S. Patent No. 6,624,012, and it was acceptable. Should the Examiner maintain this objection, Applicants will consider amending the title in a future response.

Claim 1 stands rejected under 35 U.S.C. §101 as claiming the same invention as that of claim 1 of U.S. Patent No. 6,624,012. In response, Applicants have amended claim 1, as shown above, to distinguish over claim 1 of U.S. Patent No. 6,624,012. Support for the claim amendments can be found at least in Fig. 1 and Embodiment 1 in the specification. Accordingly, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration and withdrawal of the double patenting rejection of claim 1.

New claims 2-24 have been added to further complete the scope to which Applicants are entitled.

While the present application is now believed to be in condition for allowance, should the Examiner find some issue to remain unresolved, or should any new issues arise, which could be eliminated through discussions with Applicants' representative, then the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned by telephone in order that the further prosecution of this application can thereby be expedited.

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